

BURGLARS USE NINEPINS.

They Raid a Bowling Alley and Knock Out the Drowsy Watchman.

Couldn't Find Anything Worth Stealing and Thrashed Thuman When He Interfered.

THE GANSEVOORT MARKET GANG.

An Adjoining Saloon Was Burglarized Recently and the Police Attribute the Raids to Members of the Lawless Combination.

Jacob Thuman's bowling alley at No. 107 Horatio street was visited by burglars at an early hour yesterday morning. They didn't find anything worth stealing, and they tried to get some satisfaction by severely punishing Julius Thuman, a cousin of the proprietor, with ninepins.

A tournament was held in the bowling alley the night previous by the bowling club of the American Exchange National Bank, and the Imperial Club also had a contest with the pins. At 1 o'clock in the morning the players went away, and Julius Thuman and a German boy, Joseph Matfuch, were left in charge of the place. They slept there, and after putting out the lights in the alley young Matfuch went to his bunk in the kitchen. Julius slept on a cot close by the door of a closed bar—such as are used in clubs and on boats.

The alley is on the second floor of the building. In one corner of this apartment a window was opened on the extension of a restaurant on Gansevoort street. There is a short ladder leading from the extension to the window. The burglars climbed this ladder, broke two plates in the shutters so that they could swing them open, and then got into the alley through the window. It is supposed that as soon as they got into the place they armed themselves with ninepins, in preparation for any possible interference. The men then made their way to the door of the bar, and probably did not see Thuman until they fell over his cot.

This aroused Thuman. He says that as he opened his eyes he saw two dark forms standing over him. Before he could utter a cry he was struck on the forehead with one of the ninepins. Although the blow dazed him, he managed to jump from the cot. He tried to get hold of the man nearest him, whom he had just seen strike him in the face with a ninepin, which knocked him down. Blood was pouring from the terrible wounds he received and almost blinded him.

The burglars made their escape in different directions. Thuman says one of them was a thin young man, while the other was heavily built. When the assault was made on Thuman he was in the kitchen and the burglars went into the alley and then came back into the kitchen. They went out together and after considerable searching found a policeman, who examined the premises and discovered that nothing had been stolen.

Charles Kienman's saloon at No. 92 Gansevoort street was visited by burglars at the rear of the bowling alley, was entered two weeks ago by robbers. Thuman has offered \$50 for the arrest of the intruders.

Satterlee Becomes a Bishop.

The Rev. Henry V. Satterlee, the present rector of Calvary Episcopal Church and Bishop-elect of the Washington (D. C.) Diocese, will not leave for Washington until about the middle of March next, it was announced yesterday. In the meantime he will be occupied with a work connected with Calvary Church.

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FLAMMER TO ROOSEVELT.

Magistrate Says the Police Ought to Be Ashamed to Use Babies as Saloon Spies.

Magistrate Flammer, in Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday issued a word to say in reply to Police Commissioner Roosevelt regarding the use of child spies by the police in getting evidence of excise violations. The argument grows out of the discharge of Saloon Keeper Charles Pape, of West Twenty-seventh street, who had been arrested by Policemen Fees and Kane, of the West Twentieth Street Station, for selling whiskey to two nine-year-old boys. The magistrate said:

"Here was the liberty of a man impeded on the evidence of witnesses so young they did not know the value of an oath and who could not be prosecuted for perjury had they sworn falsely. Suppose the babies the policemen used had been Roosevelt's own children. Would he like to have had them sent into the saloon? The policemen showed the children how to get whiskey, and it may prove their ruin, as it has turned their thoughts in that direction. I am willing to stand by the action I have taken in the case."

The trouble is Roosevelt looks at the case only from the prosecutor's standpoint. Here we have to take a broader view and are under oath just as surely as is Mr. Roosevelt. The idea that the Police Department cannot get evidence of liquor-selling to minors without stooping to the employment of mere babies as spies is a confession of weakness I would not care to make if I were at the head of that department."

TO RUN AGAINST LAUTERBACH.

Brooklyn Men to Select a Candidate to Oppose Platt's Lieutenant.

The Brooklyn leaders will meet a meeting to-morrow night at No. 89 East Fifty-ninth street for the purpose of selecting a candidate to run against Edward Lauterbach for the presidency of the Republican County Committee. They have not as yet fully decided whether or not to run an opposition ticket, but this will be determined to-morrow.

The election will be held next Thursday night, and yesterday the "regulars" named the following candidates:

President, Edward Lauterbach; first vice-president, James M. Doremus; second vice-president, Frederick Haldy; secretary, George H. Manchester; treasurer, Charles N. Talbot.

The "breakers" will not get a single office, as the above ticket will be elected. Mr. Manchester, the present assistant secretary, succeeds George H. Bidwell, who declined a re-election because he could not spare the time. Mr. Talbot succeeds Elias C. Croft as treasurer.

MILLER WILL GET THE PLACE.

The Ex-Assemblyman to Be Appointed as a Deputy Tax Assessor.

Tax Commissioners Barker and Sutro had a long conference with Mayor Strong yesterday afternoon, but none of the gentlemen would say what was discussed. It was reported, however, that the talk was about the appointment of ex-Assemblyman Robert Miller as a deputy tax assessor. Commissioner Wells has objected to the appointment unless he be permitted to name the deputy. The increase in the valuations of property, except that it will probably amount to about \$120,000,000. The district will bring in about \$20,000,000 more.

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She Stabbed Krauss and He Said That He Had Tried to Commit Suicide.

When He Learned That Attempted Self-Destruction Was a Crime He Confessed.

THEN THREW HIMSELF FROM A ROOF.

He Was Instantly Killed, and When His Wife and Four Children Arrive from Prussia To-morrow They Will Be Penniless—A Crowd Saw His Leap.

Unable to face a condescending wife who will arrive in this country to-morrow, Reuben Krauss, a Russian painter, twenty-six years old, committed suicide yesterday by diving from the roof of the four-story building No. 32 Seamen street.

Krauss came to this country about two years ago, leaving behind him a wife and four children. His conduct on this side of the water was not always what it should have been, and he feared that when his wife arrived she would hear of it.

Friday he was stabbed by a woman, and in order to keep the matter from his friends he declared that he had attempted suicide. He did not know that attempted suicide was a crime, and when so informed confessed that he had been cut by a woman, whose name was withheld. He was released and a warrant issued for his assailant.

A week ago Krauss fixed a chimney at No. 32 Seamen street. Since then he has several times claimed that he had not been paid for the work. Yesterday, about 10 o'clock, he called at the house and tried to borrow five cents from several of the tenants. On the top floor he met August Smith, who told him that the chimney still smoked. Krauss stated that he would fix it, and the pair started up the fire-escape.

On the fire-escape Krauss made a motion as though to throw himself to the ground. Smith shouted to him not to jump. Krauss laughed and said he didn't intend to kill himself.

When the pair reached the roof Krauss examined the chimney, and then running to the edge of the roof made a dive for the yard below.

The house from which he dived stands back in the yard several feet. The street in front was full of pedestrians, carts and stands, like the usual East Side street on Saturday morning. As Krauss fell, a crowd gathered. When Krauss was picked up he was dead.

The fall, besides crushing his skull, had broken his neck. The body was taken to the Delancey Street Station and from there to the Morgue. His brother, Samuel, of No. 107 Madison street, with whom he lived, was notified.

When his wife arrived, with the four children, she will be penniless and be forced to return to the old country.

Pythians in Madison Square Garden.

Arrangements for the reception and ball to be given by the Associated Knights of Pythias at Madison Square Garden Wednesday evening are progressing rapidly. The decorations will be in readiness. The United States Knights, in their full regalia and complete company and battalion front, will make a handsome appearance. To those who have never seen a flag presentation the occasion will be a rare one. It is anticipated that fully 25,000 people will be in attendance.

CAVE IN A NEW OPERA.

"The Pearl Fishers" Well Received at the Metropolitan—'La Navarraise' and 'Aida' Also Sung.

Two acts of Bizet's opera, "Les Pêcheurs de Perles" (The Pearl Fishers) were sung at the Metropolitan Opera House yesterday's matinee. It was the first time New Yorkers have heard the opera, and had the entire score been rendered a better idea could have been gained of its merits. Heard from a professional standpoint, the music at times borders on the amateur. That it met the popular fancy, however, was evident from the enthusiastic applause and bravos which followed most of the numbers.

The best parts of the opera were a duet in the first act, sung by Calve and Cremonini, the finale sung by Calve and Cremonini, and in the second act, a duet by the latter two and a difficult solo by Calve, whose role gave her abundant opportunities to display the wonderful flexibility of her voice. She took the high notes with scarcely an effort